

13:07	Syntia	alrighty 😊 For my research paper, with the "core" essay being The Blank Slate, I tried narrowing my topic down to just punishments. Basically saying, punishments are not reliable if innate activities are involved.
13:09		*** Anisha joined #cohenli test channel
13:10		*** AnishaJagnarine quit (Quit: <a href="http://www.mibbit.com">http://www.mibbit.com</a> ajax IRC Client)
13:10	MsCohen	Okay. Punishments as in a "conditioning" sense? This is quite a big topic; many psychologists write about the effectiveness of different punishments. I'm thinking, as in: <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operant_conditioning">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operant_conditioning</a>
13:10	MsCohen	btw, you may find this helpful: I just found it with a mind to post it to the Lang and Comp links page: <a href="http://www.learner.org/resources/series172.html">http://www.learner.org/resources/series172.html</a>
13:11	MsCohen	It's a public television program, with links for each unit, on learning theory
13:11		*** mib_yrptg3 joined #cohenli test channel
13:13	MsCohen	Hi! You can also sign in with your name so that we know who you are 😊
13:13	MsCohen	Or you can just tell us 🙄
13:13	mib_yrptg3	hi ms. cohen its gabby
13:13	mib_yrptg3	idk how to change my name
13:14	MsCohen	Hi Gabby! Thanks for stopping by. Hm. I believe you hit the "x" on the blue tab and before you click back in, type in your name in the middle box. But I can remember it's you, no big deal.
13:14		*** mib_yrptg3 quit (Quit: <a href="http://www.mibbit.com">http://www.mibbit.com</a> ajax IRC Client)
13:15		*** Gabby joined #cohenli test channel
13:15	Gabby	okay i fixed it
13:15	MsCohen	Yay! 😊
13:16	Gabby	i have a question about the synthesis question. does it have to be similar to the topic in my core essay?
13:18	MsCohen	Well, you should excerpt your "core essay" in your synthesis question, so it will relate in some way, but it doesn't necessarily have to be the same subject.
13:19	MsCohen	Maybe you can tell me what your issue is and I will be able to better answer this. What is your "core essay"?
13:20	Gabby	okay so if my core essay deals with racism would it be okay if

		i wrote about cultures?
13:20	Gabby	my core essay is on being black and middle class by shelby steele
13:21	MsCohen	ah, ok. So if you used the kind of analysis Steele goes through on Black Americans but applied this to a different group of people? I think that sounds promising.
13:21	Anisha	One quick question. You always warn us about merely paraphrasing our sources for our argument. Are you talking about our commentary and central argument of the whole paper? Because I know our sources are our proof.
13:22	MsCohen	Yes, it is okay (in fact good) to paraphrase or directly quote from your sources when you are using them as proof.
13:23	MsCohen	But your assertions and commentary should be about how sources relate to each other or relate to some element you bring in on your own.
13:26	Anisha	okay, thank you!
13:26	MsCohen	Sure 😊
13:28	Gabby	okay so for example i could talk about the racial integration of hispanics?
13:28	MsCohen	sure, I can see how that would be relevant.
13:29	MsCohen	You could also apply what Steele argues about Black Americans and compare/contrast with Hispanic Americans
13:30	MsCohen	a Hispanic American who writes a lot about similar issues as Steele does is Richard Rodriguez